SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Biographical Sketches of Commission Members

Colonel (Retired) John T. Bowden, Jr., Orangeburg, Four Year University Sector Representative, is a member of the Board of Trustees at South Carolina State University. He earned his Bachelor's degree at South Carolina State University and received his Master of Arts degree from Pepperdine University. After a long career with the U. S. Army in which he was highly decorated, Colonel Bowden served in a variety of capacities at South Carolina State University and Denmark Technical College, and most recently as Executive Assistant to the President of Claflin University. He was inducted into the S.C. Black Hall of Fame in 2003 and is currently involved in several community and professional organizations. Colonel Bowden and his wife are the parents of three children.

<u>Dr. Douglas R. Forbes</u>, Columbia, Governor's Appointment at Large, has been in private dental practice in Columbia for the past 19 years. He also works part-time in real estate development. Dr. Forbes received his B.S. and M.B.A. degrees from the University of South Carolina in 1981 and 1992, respectively, and his D.M.D. from the Medical University of South Carolina in 1985. He serves as a board member of the Family Service Center, the Children's Free Dental Clinic, and the Columbia Charitable Foundation. In addition to higher education and politics, Dr. Forbes has interests in golf and travel.

Mr. Danny M. Holcombe, Spartanburg, 4th Congressional District Representative, is a Certified Public Accountant and a partner with Scott Taylor, White and Wingo. A 1986 graduate of Wofford College, he has over 16 years experience in corporate and individual income taxation, auditing, and financial statement preparation. Mr. Holcombe is member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the S.C. Association of Certified Public Accountants. He is also Chairman of the Carolina Miracle League Steering Committee and former Vice-Chairman of the Spartanburg County Board of Disabilities and Special Needs. He and his wife, Susan, are the parents of a son and a daughter.

Dr. Bettie Rose Horne, Greenwood, 3rd Congressional District Representative, taught at Lander University for twenty-seven years and spent the last six of those years in an administrative position overseeing such projects as access and equity, tutorial services, academic advising, and student support services. She also spent seven years as an academic vice president and dean at an agricultural college in South Georgia and two years in Atlanta as an administrative associate to the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs at the University System of Georgia, where she continues to be an active consultant on matters related to academic and faculty affairs. She earned her Ph.D. degree in linguistics at the University of South Carolina. Other activities in which Dr. Horne participates are chairing the Board of the Greenwood County Food Bank and working for the Voter Registration Office in addition to gardening and singing in church and community choirs. Dr. Horne is married to Coach Finis Horne, has twin daughters, and is the proud grandmother of a four-year old granddaughter.

Dr. Louis B. Lynn, Columbia, Research Institution Representative, is the President and Chief Horticulturist of ENVIRO AgScience, Inc. Dr. Lynn received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Horticulture from Clemson University and his Ph.D. in Horticulture from the University of Maryland. Dr. Lynn currently serves as Adjunct Professor of Horticulture at Clemson University and has also been associated with the University of South Carolina and Benedict College. He is on the Board of Trustees at Clemson University, the Board of Directors of the S. C. Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of several professional organizations. Dr. Lynn has received numerous awards and recognitions for his work in field research and environmental practices as a horticulturalist.

Dr. Layton R. McCurdy, Charleston, Governor's Appointment at Large Representative and Chairman, is Dean Emeritus and Distinguished University Professor at the Medical University of South Carolina. He received his undergraduate education from the University of North Carolina, his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina, and completed a psychiatric residency at the University of North Carolina. In addition to the variety of capacities in which he has served the Medical University of South Carolina, Dr. McCurdy has been professionally associated with the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, the University of London, Emory University, and the National Institute of Mental Health. Dr. McCurdy has made many contributions to scientific literature and has been received several national and international recognitions.

Ms. Cynthia C. Mosteller, Mt. Pleasant, Governor's Appointment at Large Representative, is a partner in Fort Sumter Tours, Inc. and member of Charleston Cruise Company LLC, (operating daytime tours to Fort Sumter National Monument and evening dinner cruises of Charleston Harbor). Mrs. Mosteller is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Furman University and received her Master's degree from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. She served as the 1st District Gubernatorial appointee to the Board of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) from 1995 to 1999. Mrs. Mosteller was elected 1st Vice Chairman of the S. C. Republican Party and currently serves as Chairman of the Charleston Co. Republican Party. In conjunction with her political activities, she appeared as a regular conservative guest on ABC's *Politically Incorrect* with Bill Maher and presently provides election night political analysis for WCSC-TV in Charleston. Mrs. Mosteller and her husband, Rick, have three daughters.

Mr. Daniel Ravenel, Charleston, 1st Congressional District Representative, was born in Charleston, attended local schools and graduated in 1972 from the College of Charleston with a Bachelor's degree in History. After a four and a half year employment at Trident Technical College in Charleston in 1977, he established the Daniel Ravenel Real Estate Company, which lists and sells residential and commercial property in Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties. The firm has 23 sales counselors and specializes in luxury historic and waterfront properties. Mr. Ravenel has served on numerous boards and commissions and has been presented with awards by the College of Charleston and the Charleston Trident Chamber of Commerce. Currently he is President of the Huguenot Society of South Carolina; President of the French Protestant Church of Charleston; and President of the College of Charleston Foundation. He is married and has three children.

<u>James Sanders</u>, Gaffney, 5th Congressional District, is a retired industrial contractor. A 1970 graduate of Clemson University with a B. S. in Industrial Management, he was briefly employed by the Trane Company until he returned to his family business, Sanders Bros., Inc. When the business was sold in 1999, it had grown into one of South Carolina's largest privately held businesses. Mr. Sanders has served on the Limestone College Board of Trustees, the board of Directors of the National Center for Construction Education and Research, various state and association education committees, and the Clemson Construction Science and Advisory Committee. He is currently president of IPTAY and serves on the Clemson University Foundation. He also does private consulting work for contractors and is on the board of directors of a savings and loan and a private textile manufacturing company. He and his wife, Claudia, have three daughters.

Mr. Hood Temple, Florence, 6th Congressional District, is a partner with The Hyman Law Firm. Active in his community, he is the co-founder of the summer camp, Camp Pee Dee Pride, and Chairman of ScienceSouth, a non-profit organization for elementary and middle school children. Mr. Temple is a 1986 graduate of Wofford College, and received his Doctorate of Law in 1989 from USC. A founder of the Pee Dee Constables Association, he also serves on the Board of Trustees of Florence-Darlington Technical College, the Francis Marion Foundation Board, and the Board of Visitors for the Medical University of SC. His professional activities include membership in the S.C. Trial Lawyers Association, the S.C. Bar Association, the Florence County Bar Association, and The Association of S.C. Claimant Attorneys for Workers Compensation. Mr. Temple and his wife, Kellie, are the parents of one son and two daughters.

Mr. Kenneth B. Wingate, Columbia, Governor's Appointment at Large Representative, is a founding partner of the Sweeny, Wingate & Barrow law firm. A graduate of Clemson University and the U.S.C. School of Law, Mr. Wingate is a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law, a Certified Public Accountant, a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, a member of the American Bar Association, and is enrolled to practice before the U.S. Tax Court. He has been selected as one of the "Best Lawyers in America." Mr. Wingate serves on the board of directors of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and the South Carolina Policy Council and is the Governor's Appointee on the Joint Committee on Taxation. He has previously served on a variety of advisory boards, and was Governor Sanford's Transition Team Leader and Chairman of the Governor's Commission on Management, Accountability and Performance. He and his wife, the former Catharine Edwards, are the parents of three children.

Mr. J. Neal Workman, Jr., Clemson, Local Technical College Representative, is the founder and C.E.O. of Trehel Corporation, an unlimited licensed general contracting firm with offices in Clemson and Greenville. After graduating from Wofford College with a B.A. degree in Economics and prior to the development of Trehel in 1982, Mr. Workman was employed by the Milliken Corporation, Walhalla Builders, and the Vector Corporation. He is active in numerous charities and civic organizations in the upstate area and serves on several non-profit boards there. In 1999, Mr. Workman was named Business Person of the Year by the Clemson Area Chamber of Commerce. He was also honored by the Clemson Rotary Club in 2003 with their Community Service Award. Mr. Workman and his wife, Fay, currently reside in Walhalla and are the parents of two children.

<u>Dr. Mitchell Zais</u>, Newberry, Governor's Appointment, Private Sector President, has been President of Newberry College since August of 2000. Prior to coming to Newberry, Dr. Zais served over 30 years in an illustrious military career as an officer in the United States Army, attaining the rank of brigadier general. He earned an Engineering degree from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, a Master of Arts degree in military history from the School for Advanced Military Studies at Leavenworth, Kansas; and Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees in social psychology and organizational behavior from the University of Washington. Dr. Zais has written and published extensively in the fields of organizational behavior, curriculum design, stress, military history and doctrine, and leadership and management in a variety of professional journals. His opinion-editorial pieces have appeared in newspapers across the state.

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